

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

20 Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 9, 2008, please find the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

25 **Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.

Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of September 9, 2008 to and through January 9, 2009, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period by one (1) month.

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